

REMARKS

The current Office Action presents a restriction requirement as well as an election of species requirement.

Restriction

The Examiner has required an election in the present application between:

Group I, claims 1-10, drawn to a first process for producing ethylene/ α -olefin/non-conjugated polyene copolymer;

Group II, claim 11, drawn to a second process for producing ethylene/ α -olefin/non-conjugated polyene copolymer; and

Group III, claims 12-15, drawn to an ethylene/ α -olefin/non-conjugated polyene copolymer.

For the purpose of examination of the present application, Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-10, without traverse.

Election of Species

Further, the Examiner has indicated that the application contains claims directed to more than one species of the generic invention, as follows:

Claims 1-4 and 7-10, drawn to a process for making polymer under conditions specified in the claims; and

Claims 5 and 6, drawn to a process for making polymer under different type(s) of condition(s) specified in the claims.

Applicants herein elect claims 1-4 and 7-10, drawn to a process for making polymer under conditions specified in the claims.

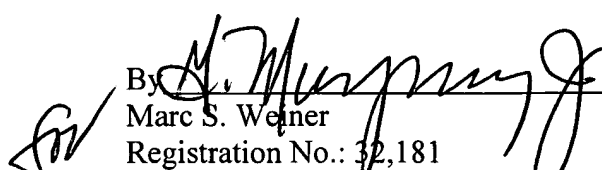
Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Eugene T. Perez, Registration No. 48,501 at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

- ☐ Attached is a Petition for Extension of Time.
- ☐ Attached hereto is the fee transmittal listing the required fees.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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